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TAGS: OVIP (MIDDENDORF, J. WILLIAM)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF SECRETARY OF THE NAVY MIDDENDORF

1. SEC NAV MIDDENDORF VISITED THE HAGUE 19-21 SEP. SEC NAV MADE A CALL ON MOD VREDELING WITH AMBASSADOR GOULD AT WHICH HE STRESSED US CONCERN OVER PROPOSED DUTCH NAVAL REDUCTIONS. CONVERSATION BEING REPORTED SEPARATELY. SEC NAV ALSO HAD SIMILAR DISCUSSIONS WITH CHIEF OF NAVAL STAFF VADM VELDKAMP AND STATE SECRETARY FOR DEFENSE (PERSONNEL) VAN LENT AT AMBASSADOR'S DINNER IN HIS HONOR, AS WELL AS WITH STATE SECRETARIES FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS KOOIMANS AND BRINKHORST.

2. IN A TAPED RADIO INTERVIEW BROADCAST 22 SEP, SEC NAV STRESSED CONCERN ABOUT DEFENSE CUTBACKS IN ALL THE NATO COUNTRIES IN LIGHT OF THE ENORMOUS AND RAPID GROWTH OF THE SOVIET FLEET IN RECENT YEARS. HE SAID TO UNDERESTIMATE THE THREAT WOULD BE THE HEIGHT OF IRRESPONSIBILITY. HE WENT ON TO SAY WE WOULD LIKE PEACE WITHOUT HAVING HEAVY EXPENDITURE ON WEAPONS, BUT THERE CAN BE NO PLACE UNLESS ONE IS STRONG.

3. VISIT WAS TIMELY AND SHOULD PROVE PRODUCTIVE.
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